

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 923

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A RESOLUTION to honor the Y-12 National Security Complex in Oak Ridge on the occasion of its seventy-fifth anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is the privilege of the members of this General Assembly to specially recognize those venerable Tennessee facilities as they celebrate milestone occasions in their histories; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy facility is the Y-12 National Security Complex in Oak Ridge, which is celebrating its seventy-fifth anniversary in 2018; and

WHEREAS, in 1943, the construction of the Y-12 facility was seen as a vital step in winning World War II, and now, seventy-five years later, the Y-12 National Security Complex and its managing contractor, Consolidated Nuclear Security, LLC, are still keeping the peace; and

WHEREAS, Y-12's continuing mission to help maintain the nation's nuclear deterrent and preserve national security, provide fuel for our nuclear Navy, and remove unsecured uranium stockpiles in remote areas around the world and place them in secure locations is a cause for celebration; and

WHEREAS, today, Y-12 is continuing to make a difference in the economies of the City of Oak Ridge, Anderson County, the State of Tennessee, and the surrounding region; and

WHEREAS, more than 6,000 full-time employees, subcontractors, and federal employees work at Y-12, providing millions of dollars in direct payroll and tens of thousands of dollars in local and state tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, the Uranium Processing Facility, a \$6.5 billion dollar project, will transform the Y-12 site by replacing outdated, legacy facilities. During its construction, it will create

thousands of jobs and generate hundreds of thousands of dollars in economic impact for

Tennessee and the region; and

WHEREAS, Y-12 cares about its community and provides more than \$400,000 to area nonprofits and educational institutions annually; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, Consolidated Nuclear Security, LLC, provided grants to the United Way of Anderson County, Aid to Distressed Families in Appalachian Counties, Pull for Our Veterans, Anderson County EMS, and dozens of other area organizations that provide care and aid to our fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, through collaboration with labor, colleges, universities, and schools, Consolidated Nuclear Security encourages students to consider careers in trades and crafts, in addition to engineering and other technical fields; and

WHEREAS, it is wholly fitting that we recognize the Y-12 National Security Complex on this historic occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the Y-12 National Security Complex in Oak Ridge on the occasion of its seventy-fifth anniversary and thank its employees, both past and present, for their distinguished service to our nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.